II. REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of one month to and including September 23, 2002, in which to respond to the species election requirement dated July 23, 2002.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a one-month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Fulbright & Jaworski Deposit Account No. 50-1212/10102019/ESSR:039.

Respectfully submitted,

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